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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

This is a response to the Official Action, dated May 7, 2003, having a shortened statutory period ending August 7, 2003 extendable to Sept. 8, 2003 (sept. 7 being a Sunday) via the attached request for an extension of time and fee attached.

Please amend the application as follows, no new matter has been added:

Introductory comments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this paper.

The Claims and Claim Amendments are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and

include an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

Introductory Comments

Page 8, line 2 of the specification has been amended to include Fig. 2. Page 9, line 21, of the specification has been amended. Page 10, line 1 of the specification has been amended. Page 10, line 11 of the specification has been amended. Figures 7 and 8 have been added. Page 11 of the specification has been amended to reflect the new figures. Duplicate Claim 3 has been canceled. Claims 1 through 22 remain in the application. Reconsideration of this application and the amendments is requested.